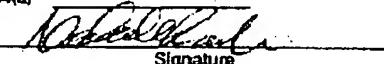


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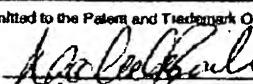
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<p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):</p> <table> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))</td> <td>\$ 110.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))</td> <td>\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))</td> <td>\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))</td> <td>\$ _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))</td> <td>\$ _____</td> </tr> </table> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ <u>55.00</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>13-2855</u></p> <p>I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> <p>I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.  <input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.    Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number <u>43,363</u>  <input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).    Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a)</p> <p>April 12, 2004</p> <p> Signature</p> <p>(312) 474-6300</p> <p>Telephone Number</p> <p>Nabeela R. McMillan</p> <p>Typed or printed name</p> <p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Total of <u>1</u> forms are submitted.</p>				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$ 110.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$ _____
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